

Hi,

My name is Kate Jensen and I live in Manchester CT. I am a college graduate of Eastern Connecticut State University and I have been working as an ABA therapist for children with autism for two years now.

I am opposed to SB 1105 as this would be detrimental for children with autism. It is critical that children with autism receive the best possible care in order to ensure their successes later in life. Designing and implementing plans for children require precision, experience, and expertise. It is of most importance that the professionals practicing applied behavioral analysis are knowledgeable and educated according to the current requirements. If SB 1105 passes, this would not only allow inexperienced people who lack the education to implement aba therapies to take charge and design and run programs, but it also puts a much larger strain on school principals who would need to oversee all programs in their school. Allowing any persons with certification in Connecticut to practice ABA would not only be unethical, it would harm the current progress that has been worked so hard towards to achieve.

Thank you for your consideration,

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